

not able to come to Collingwood again until Thursday last there was probably no time to go into it thoroughly, hence the meagre nature of the report on this point. That the special rate has existed I am prepared to establish by indisputable evidence.

"I have reason to believe that the granting of these special rates is not the only way in which T. Long & Bro. have been favored. It is stated, but I have no personal knowledge

of the matter, that in Dec., 1902, the purser of the steamer Germanic made a rebate in favor of T. Long & Bro. of \$462.60 on the season's business, and it should be borne in mind that this was merely one vessel out of the fleet of ten. It is also alleged that in Oct., 1903, the steamer Majestic was sent on a special trip to Ignace Island, near Nepigon, almost entirely loaded with supplies sold by T. Long & Bro. to the Lake Superior Timber

or Lumber Co., and that owing to the low rates of freight charged the boat actually lost money on the trip. It is further alleged that in 1902 the Collingwood Shipbuilding Co., to which I have previously referred, had a special rate on cement from Owen Sound to Collingwood of \$10 a carload, while the Cramp Steel Co. and others were being charged \$15 a car. I do not guarantee the accuracy of these three last charges, but I have reason to

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